



# Fleet Primary School

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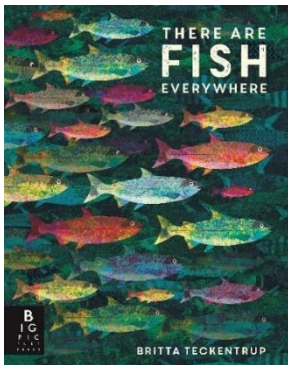
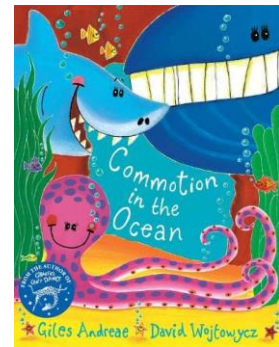


## Year 2 Topic Letter – Summer 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school for our Summer term, I hope you all had a relaxing break. This term, our topic will be '**From Sea to Shore**'. In the first half term, we will be focussing on Ocean and sea life and in the second half term, we will be learning about the seaside.

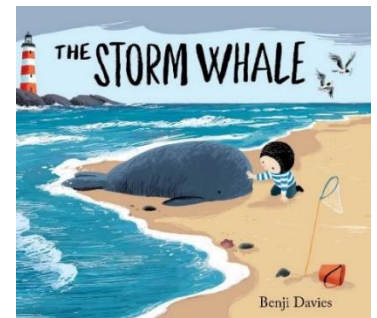
In **English**, we have begun by writing some rhyming poetry about sea creatures inspired by the book 'Commotion in the Ocean'. Our other key fiction texts this term will be 'Flotsam' by David Wiesner, a wordless picture book, and 'The Storm Whale' by Benji Davies, a story about a boy looking after a whale washed up on a beach. We will also be doing a unit based on 'The Pirates Next Door' by Jonny Duddle. Our non-fiction writing will focus on ocean life and we'll be inspired by the beautiful texts 'There Are Fish Everywhere' and 'The Big Book of the Blue'.



We have started our **Science** learning this term by talking about different materials. We will be thinking about the differences in materials, including natural and man-made, and linking to our topic as we learn about pollution and conservation. In the latter half of the term we will then think about famous scientists in history.

In our **Geography** this term, we will be recapping the world's oceans and locating them on a map, as well as learning about sea around the UK. We will also be using the Katie Morag series of books to learning about island life in

Scotland and contrasting this with island life in the Caribbean. In **History** this term, we will be focussed on the Victorians. We will look at seaside holidays, comparing them then and now, and learn about key figures such as Grace Darling.



In **Art** we will learn about techniques such as printing and collage to create art work inspired by the sea and ocean life. We will also look the Hokusai's work 'The Great Wave'. Our **DT** will be looking at textiles and materials this term and we'll be making our own puppets. We'll also design and make boats, testing whether we can make them float.

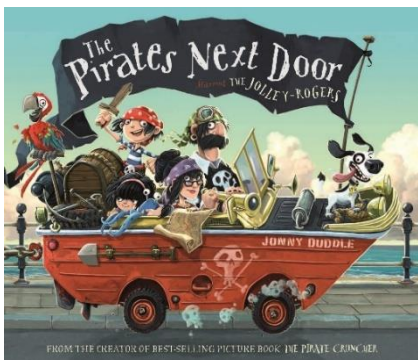


Our **RE** focus this term will be first on Islam, when we will be visiting a Mosque. Then we will learn about Sikhism, focussing on the life of Guru Nanak.

In **Maths**, we will continue to follow the National Curriculum. We will be doing units on measure (length and height), geometry

(position and direction), time and then more measure work on mass, temperature and capacity. We will also consolidate our previous learning about calculation (addition and subtraction, multiplication and division) with some problem solving. The children are continuing to develop their mental maths skills through weekly sessions.

This term we will have **PE** sessions on Mondays with coach Keeley. Children must wear or bring in trainers for this.



This term, children will continue to receive Home Learning roughly every two to three weeks and it will be set on Seesaw. Please continue to read with your children **daily** and use the reading journal for a record of what they have read. The children will continue to change their books once a week, an up to date table of reading groups can be found on the classroom door. It is important that children have their book bags, including their reading journals, in school every day.

One of the best things you can do to support your child with their learning is daily reading. This can be a combination of the child reading aloud to you, or you to them. Asking questions helps develop their understanding. Please ask if you'd like a suggested list of these. You can also practise the 2, 5 and 10 times tables with your child (including division facts) and other mental maths skills such as adding and subtracting multiples of ten. Children could also start to learn how to tell the time.

### Important Dates

Wednesday 4th May – Trip to the Zoo

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May – Trip to Regents Park Mosque

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June – Year Two Class Tea

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June – Year Two Class Assembly

TBC – trip to the beach

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July – Sports Day

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July - Last day of term (2pm finish)

Please let me know if you are available to help on any of the school trips. We really appreciate any adult help. If you have anything which relates to our topic, feel free to send it in!



If you would like to discuss anything with me, please do not hesitate to contact me at the end of the school day or via the school email [admin@fleet.camden.sch.uk](mailto:admin@fleet.camden.sch.uk).

Kind regards,

Ruth Hanfling